NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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Dear Licensee:

At the February 8th meeting of the Commission on Professional Standards, regulations were enacted that will apply to licensees who have testing provisions on their Nevada License for Educational Personnel. <u>It is the licensee's responsibility to provide the required documentation to the Department to meet the waiver requirements. This is the only notification you will receive</u>. Please be reminded that the experience and valid teaching license <u>must</u> be from a state other than Nevada.

United States Constitution provision:

If the licensee meets the following and provides the required documentation to the Office of Teacher Licensing the U. S. Constitution provision will be waived.

- 1. A valid out-of-state license is held by the applicant at the time of application for a Nevada license and a copy is provided to the Department of Education; and
- 2. Verification is provided on the form prescribed by the Department of three years of experience in teaching, administering or providing other educational services, as determined by the Department, on a full time basis at any grade level in pre-kindergarten through grade 12. Please find the prescribed form attached.

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Specialty Area Testing:

The Commission on Professional Standards established the following:

ENGLISH:

English Language, Literature and Composition Pedagogy Test No 0043 – passing score changed from 150 to 140.

English Language, Literature and Composition Essay Test No 0042 – replaced with English Content Knowledge Test No 0041 with a passing score of 150. The Department will accept passing scores in either of these tests at the level of competency established for Nevada.

SOCIAL STUDIES:

Social Studies: Analytical Essays Test No 0082 is no longer required.

If you have not satisfied the Specialty Area testing requirement(s) in either English or Social Studies and meet the new requirements, please provide copies of your test results to the appropriate Office of Teacher Licensing either in Carson City or Las Vegas to satisfy this provision.

Competency testing provisions:

Nevada will waive specific testing requirements for educational licensure if the following requirements are met by the applicant/licensee:

Pre Professional Skills Test, Principles of Learning and Teaching and Specialty Area Test:

- 1. A valid out-of-state license is held by the applicant at the time of application for a Nevada license and a copy is provided to the Department of Education; <u>and</u>
- 2. The out-of state license held by the applicant at the time of application for a Nevada license was issued by one of the states listed on the attached state waiver list; <u>and</u>
- 3. Verification is provided on the form prescribed by the Department of three years of experience from another state in teaching, administering or providing other educational services, as determined by the Department, on a full time basis at any grade level in pre-kindergarten through grade 12. Please find the prescribed form attached.

PROFICIENCY TEST WAIVERS FOR NEVADA EDUCATIONAL LICENSE APPLICANTS

(Effective 2/15/2002)

The table below provides a listing of states for which Nevada will waive specific testing requirements for educational licensure if the following requirements are met by the applicant: 1) A valid out-of-state license is held by the applicant at the time of application for a Nevada license and a copy is provided to the Department of Education; and 2) verification is provided on the form prescribed by the Department of three years of experience in teaching, administering or providing other educational services on a full time basis at any grade level in pre-kindergarten through grade 12. For each of the three required tests for which a waiver may be granted, the word "Waiver" will appear in the appropriate column for each state to which the waiver will apply. A waiver will be granted only for the tests identified that apply to the valid out-of-state license provided by the applicant. If the box is left blank, no waiver of the test will be granted even if the two requirements described above are met. This list is not intended to be used for any other purpose other than to identify states for which the Department of Education will accept test waivers.

	Principles of				
		Learning &	Subject		
	Basic Skills	Teaching	Matter		
Alabama	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Alaska	Waiver		Waiver		
Arizona	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Arkansas	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
California	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Colorado	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Connecticut	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Delaware	Waiver				
District of Columbia	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Florida	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Georgia	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Hawaii	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Idaho					
Illinois	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Indiana	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Iowa					
Kansas	Waiver	Waiver			
Kentucky	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Louisiana	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Maine	Waiver	Waiver			
Maryland	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Massachusetts	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver		
Michigan	Waiver		Waiver		
Minnesota	Waiver		Waiver		

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		Learning &	Subject	
	Basic Skills	Teaching	Matter	
Mississippi	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Missouri	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Montana	Waiver			
Nebraska	Waiver			
New Hampshire	Waiver		Waiver	
New Jersey	Waiver		Waiver	
New Mexico	Waiver	Waiver		
New York	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
North Carolina	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
North Dakota	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Ohio	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Oklahoma	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Oregon	Waiver		Waiver	
Pennsylvania	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Rhode Island		Waiver		
South Carolina	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
South Dakota				
Tennessee	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Texas	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Utah				
Vermont	Waiver		Waiver	
Virginia	Waiver		Waiver	
Washington				
West Virginia	Waiver	Waiver	Waiver	
Wisconsin	Waiver			
Wyoming				
Department of Defense	Waiver	Waiver		
Dependent Schools				
Guam	Waiver			
Puerto Rico	Waiver	Waiver		
All other territories				

Note: The word "Waiver" under each specific test column for each state indicates that the state requires an equivalent test of educational license holders from that state. The equivalent test may be provided through the Educational Testing Service (ETS), National Evaluation Systems, Inc., or an examination developed and administered by the state. The testing requirements of each state were confirmed through a review of materials made available by the National Association of State Directors of Teacher Education and Certification (NASDTEC), Educational Testing Service (ETS), the National Evaluation Systems, Inc., the publication, "Quality Counts 2002" provided by Education Week, and the Title II, Higher Education Act, individual State Reports that identify testing requirements for initial licensure.

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	M.I.	MAID	EN NAME	
ADDRESS	CIT	TY .	STATE	ZIP	
SOCIAL SECURITY #		DATE OF BIRTH	PHON		
		** Employers use	e only **		
The above teacher applies school or district. Becathe following requirement	cant is requesting that use we can utilize this	you provide our office	with verification of the		
The applicant hoccurred.	neld a Bachelors degre	e from an accredited co	llege or university dur	ing the time the t	eaching experience
The applicant's	experience was full tir	me.			
The applicant d	uring his/her tenure in	your school district held	a valid teaching licens	se and/or certificat	te.
Teaching exper		school licensed by the S	tate or accredited by	a national accredi	ting association for
	teaching or aid	de experience sh	ould not be c	onsidered w	hen verifying
	The abo	ve applicant was emplo	yed as a teacher of:		
SUBJECT	GRADE LEVEL	NAME OF SCHOOL	FROM (MM/YY)	TO (MM/YY)	% OF TIME FTE
SUBJECT	GRADE LEVEL	NAME OF SCHOOL	FROM (MM/YY)	TO (MM/YY)	% OF TIME FTE
PRINT NAME		SIGNATURE		TITLE	

ADDRESS

PHONE NUMBER

ZIP

DATE SIGNED:

CITY

NAME OF PRIVATE SCHOOL OR DISTRICT

STATE